

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Spindler, et al.  
Serial No. : 10/536,596  
Filed : May 26, 2005  
For : POLYAMIDE-BASED WATER-SOLUBLE  
BIODEGRADABLE COPOLYMERS AND THE USE  
THEREOF  
Art Unit : 1711  
Examiner : A. L. Woodward

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May 21, 2008

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**REQUEST TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT**

SIR:

A Notice of Abandonment has issued for this application, apparently in view of failure to file a response to the Notice of January 2, 2008. It is respectfully requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn in view of the following comments.

On October 16, 2008 Applicants filed a complete response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 28, 2007. On January 2, 2008, the Examiner issued a Notice of

incomplete response, but the undersigned called the Examiner to let her know he believed it issued in error since the response was in fact complete. On January 24, 2008, the Examiner left the undersigned a voice message indicating that the response was indeed complete and that no further action needed to be taken. In view of the Examiner's assurance that no further action needed to be taken, no response was filed.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the notice of abandonment be withdrawn and the Examiner is respectfully requested to issue an action on the merits.

It is not believed that any fee is due since the error occurred on the part of the USPTO. Nonetheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. NY-HUBR-1282-US.

Respectfully submitted

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